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Working Fields Staffing Agency expanding into Springfield ———

BY JOE MILLIKEN

The Vermont Journal & The Shopper

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Working Fields, a mission-driven employment placement agency founded in 2017 that empowers those who face barriers to gain employment, is expanding its services into Windsor County by opening a new office at the Turning Point Recovery Center on 7 Morgan Street in Springfield.

Working Fields' goal and vision is to provide opportunities for successful employment by empowering individuals to manage the challenges of substance addiction recovery or past convictions. They offer support to people – through a unique recovery coaching model – and help restore confidence and the belief in self to be responsible and productive members of their community.

"Now more than ever, employers need the innovative workforce solutions of Working Fields, and Springfield's strong network of local organizations made it a natural place for us to open our next

office," says founder and CEO Mickey Wiles.

In early April, Working Fields, in conjunction with Springfield's Turning Point Recovery Center, announced the expansion of their services by leasing a new office within the Turning Point building. The collaboration will also allow Turning Point to provide Working Fields with recovery coaches through a cooperative agreement.

Turning Point is a nonprofit organization affiliated with the Vermont Recovery Network and concentrates on enhancing the spiritual, mental, physical, and social growth of anyone in our community affected by any form of addiction. The center offers a drop-in center and meeting location, recovery coach program, and a resource referral network for area services. They focus on helping to rebuild the community and provide a positive reinforcement through the recovery process.

strong network of local organizations made it a natural has known about Working place for us to open our next Fields for over a year, and we are truly blessed and excited to have another path to recovery," Michael Johnson, executive director of Turning Point, said in a recent interview. "Previously based mostly in the northern part of the state, Working Fields founder Mickey Wiles has been a part of the recovery movement in Vermont for three decades.

"We are grateful to have a program that supports employers and those in recovery. This is a unique opportunity for someone to have support while going to work, and this is also a great way to help employers understand the value someone, grateful to be employed, can be to their company with the right support. We embrace the opportunity to have an organization such as Working Fields located at our Turning Point Center."

To learn more, please call 802-348-4610, email secondchances@workingfields.com, or visit www. workingfields.com.

Springfield Lions Club donate to the Equity Scholarship Fund —

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Springfield Lions Club is pleased to announce their donation of \$2,000 to the Springfield Equity Scholarship fund.

The Springfield Equity Scholarship supports Springfield High School and River Valley Technical Center students from traditionally under-represented groups with funds for tuition or living expenses associated with continuing education.

The Springfield Equity Scholarship recognizes that significant wealth gaps exist between white and non-white families, arising from historic legacies as well as present-day realities of racism and discrimination. These wealth gaps can severely limit the opportunities of students of color with regard to higher education and career achievement, including in predominantly white places like Vermont.

The Springfield Equity Scholarship will provide one or more scholarships to promising students of color in the year of their graduation. Vermont Stu-



Lions President Robert Fog (left) and club member Charlotte Osterlund (right) presenting the check to Allaire Diamond (center) who was instrumental in establishing this new scholarship.

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dent Assistance Corporation is administering this scholarship. Recipients will be selected by a diverse committee composed of Springfield High School alumni, faculty, and community members. The first recipient will be a member of the class of 2021. Donations may be made through the GoFundMe at www.gofundme.com/f/springfield-equity-scholarship.

The Springfield Lions Club has been serving charitable needs of the Springfield community since 1937. With a focus on eyesight and youth, the members support many area organizations with donations and other efforts. They are always looking for new members. If you are interested, contact Mike Martin or Pat Ankuda for details.

Selectboard hears dam relicensing presentation from Connecticut River Conservancy

BY BETSY THURSTON

The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – On Tuesday, April 20, the Rockingham Selectboard discussed Great River Hydro's Federal Energy Regulatory Commission relicensing with Kathy Urffer from the Connecticut River Conservancy.

Wilder, Bellows Falls, and Vernon Hydroelectric Projects began their relicensing process in 2012, Urffer said. The license, once issued, will be valid for 30 to 50 years.

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Urffer suggested the town of Rockingham consider adding provisions for capital investment on preservation and conservation projects and said this was "a once in a lifetime opportunity" for Rockingham and Bellows Falls. She explained the fish ladder was an addition to the last license renewal in 1979.

For the past 40 years, the dam has worked as a peaking facility where water was held until electricity prices raised and then released each day. Urffer explained the changes included constraints on the rate of upramping, how quickly the water was released, and downramping, which is how fast the water level dropped. Urffer said normally the measurement was 800 cubic feet per second to 10,000cfs.

Under the new operational scenario, Urffer explained, the water speeds would be "closer to run of river" and

the Connecticut River "would function more like a naturally flowing river...which is going to be more protective of a lot of our species."

Urffer added that GRH would provide protection mitigation and enhancement measures. She explained that the Fifteen Mile Falls settlement resulted in a mitigation fund of over \$16 million administered by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation for restoration work on the upper Connecticut River, north of White River.

Urffer said once FERC deemed the license complete, there would be opportunity for public comment. She explained it would be useful for the town to include enhancements to recreational amenities, which is anywhere people can get into and out of the river and included Herrick's Cove and Pine Street boat launch in North Walpole, N.H.

Rick Cowan asked if the amount of electricity would reduce, lower, or stay the same with the new output model. Urffer answered that basically the same electricity would be generated overall. She said a financial analysis showed a 1% reduction in possible revenue.

Cowan followed up with how this reduction would affect the tax rate and assessed value of the facility. Urffer said she would expect GRH to appeal and that the town should anticipate this due to the major relicensing agreement

Cowan mentioned that as a

volunteer at the fish ladder, "We never see any fish."

"In 2004, I was lucky to see a tagged Atlantic Salmon," Urffer said and explained that the problem with fish migration was "the bottleneck" in Turners Falls,

Urffer mentioned a colleague who is the river steward in Masschusetts and is currently working on their relicensing. "We should see improvements."

She added that they studied the migration of three fish: American shad, sea lamprey, and American eel. Traditionally, there were millions of American shad, but there have been as little as 348,000 in Holyoke and only 3,000 reported in Vernon. The sea lamprey, also called the Ancient fish, are going blind and dying on their trip up the Connecticut River. The American eel are resident species for the tiver and unlike other fish the adults migrate to the ocean with the young returning to spawn.

Urffer said each fish "can be finicky," and they were tweaking the fish ladders to make it easier for them to maneuver. For example, eels slither on their bellies

Concluding her presentation, Urffer said that she would follow up with the Selectboard with more information and would be available to answer their questions. For more information on the CRC, visit www.ctriver.org.

The next Selectboard meeting is Wednesday, May 5 at 6 p.m. in the Lower Theater of the Bellows Falls Opera House.

Chamber invites volunteers for Green Up Day ———

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Join us Saturday, May 1 for the 51st Annual Green Up Day. We at the Chamber of Commerce always look forward to hosting this annual event in Springfield, and we are calling for volunteers to assist us with cleaning up our town after the long winter.

long winter.

We will be congregating in the People's United Bank parking lot from 8 a.m. to noon, and working together to spruce up the neighborhood. Social distancing and masks are required. Families, friends, and community members will help with raking, picking up litter, and clearing away debris.

important to wear work gloves, long pants, and proper footwear to protect against ticks and debris along your cleanup journey – we suggest wearing neon for visibility. Bring rakes, shovels, brooms, and any tools. Volunteers will be on call throughout the day to assist you with any questions you may have. Most of all, remember to have fun. You are bettering our town and community by sharing your energy and spirit to assist with maintaining Springfield's beauty.

appropriately - it is extremely

Our gratitude goes out to the Public Works Department who will be going around to collect and properly dispose of all the filled bags and any trash items left on the sides of the roads. Pick-up day is Monday, May 3 only.

Thank you to all of our neighbors, friends, and community partners that contribute their time and energy and volunteer with us every year. We appreciate everyone's help in keeping Springfield green and gorgeous.

The official green trash bags will be available on the day of the event, as well as for advance pickup from the Chamber at 56 Main St, Suite 2, Thursday, April 29 and Friday, April 30, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information, please contact the Chamber at 802-885-2779 or email alice@springfield-vt.com to sign up.

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New board members at Greater Falls Connections

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Greater Falls Connections has announced the addition of new Advisory Board members: Doreen Stoodley, Shelby Stevens, Kiernon Galandak-Cochran, and Katrina Bostwick. Returning to the board are Alex Stradling, Meghan Licciardi, and Marty Gallagher. These community members have shown a commitment to furthering the coalition's vision of a healthy, nurturing, and supportive community.

Meghan Licciardi works with Youth Services Inc. based out of Brattleboro, Vt. Licciardi is co-coordinator of Friends for Change Youth Club of Bellows Falls. Licciardi grew up in Central Vermont and lives in the area with her partner.

Alex Stradling is a native of Bellows Falls and the executive director of Falls Area Community Television, Fact TV. With 20 years of experience in film and TV production, Stradling looks forward to helping GFC tell its story.

Marty Gallagher is the ad-

ministrator of Greater Rockingham Area Services. Through her work with the Bellows Falls Rotary Club and Fact TV's "The Feed," Gallagher helps ensure the coalition's work is visible and available to the community.

Doreen Stoodley is the branch office administrator for Edward Jones Investments in Bellows Falls. Doreen, a Vermont native, lives with her husband Lee Stoodley in Westminster. Doreen looks to help promote GFC not only in the Bellows Falls area but to the surrounding areas as well.

Three Above the Influence/ Friends for Change young adult leaders have joined the Advisory Board: Shelby Stevens, Kiernon Galandak-Cochran, and Katrina Bostwick. Stevens and Bostwick are recent graduates of Bellows Falls Union High School and Galandak-Cochran a recent graduate of The Compass School in Westminster.

Greater Falls Connections is currently seeking nominations for the 2021-2022 Advisory Board. The coalition is run by and for the community, and we seek to include anyone who wants to see a positive future for youth and families in the Bellows Falls area.

To learn more about Greater Falls Connections or serving on the GFC Advisory Board, contact Laura Schairbaum at 802-463-9927 or laura@greaterfallsconnections.org.

Springfield Family Center Empty Bowl fundraiser —

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Springfield Family Center is hosting an Empty Bowl Fundraiser May 1, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This will be a drivethrough event. Come get a delicious meal of hearty soup and bread, and a beautiful hand crafted ceramic bowl.

Enjoy your choice of soup and bread generously donated by The Copper Fox, clam chowder; the Heritage Bakery and Deli, cheddar ale; Smitty's Chester Market, beef stew; Jamaican Jewelz, beef soup; and the Springfield Food Co-op, vegan coconut lentil.

Every purchase brings home a one of a kind ceramic bowl graciously made and donated by Springfield High School's Art Department.

Funds raised from this event will go towards supporting our food shelf and daily meal programs. There is a suggested minimum donation for a bowl and meal. Please be prepared to pay in cash or pay on PayPal in advance and bring your receipt.

Springfield Family Center offers our sincerest gratitude to People's United Bank for sponsoring this event. We hope to see you there!

For more information, find @SpringfieldFamilyCenter on Facebook.

Thanking Hands Campaign a success -

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – For 28 years, the Springfield Area Parent Child Center (SAPCC) has led the community celebration of the Week of the Young Child, a national event established in 1971 and sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). Covid-19 required finding new ways to hold this celebration for the past two years. This year, SAPCC reached out to the community and invited schools, parents, local businesses, and friends to hang handprints in windows and doors through April 16 to show appreciation for our educators, school staff, and students.

Hundreds of handprints were hung across the area sharing messages of hope and inspiration, and in many cases, thanking special teachers for their endurance and their dedication to make sure that while the world braced for a pandemic and the normal course of business was not normal any longer, our children continued to receive a quality education and care. SAPCC chronicled this story by collecting photos of the handprints using the hashtag #woycthankinghands, and they were shared in the SAPCC Facebook event.

Thank you to those who participated in this collaborative effort: Edgar May Health and Recreation Center, McGee Chrysler Jeep Dodge of Springfield, Smiling Faces Childcare, Springfield Art Gym, Springfield Learning Garden, SEVCA Windsor County Head Start, Early Childhood Program, Springfield Learning Garden, Vermont Department of Health, The Dance Factory, Holly's Hugs 'n Kisses Daycare, Sheri's Heads Up, PlayWorks Child Center, Woodbury Florist, Willow Farm Pet Supplies,



Some of the beautiful handprint creations displayed across the region to celebrate educators during the Week of the Young Child Thanking Hands Campaign organized by Springfield Area Parent Child Center.

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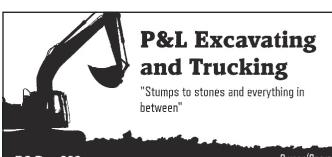
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Lauren Fountain granted admission to New Hampshire Bar —

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Lauren Fountain, Esq. was officially granted admission to the New Hampshire Bar April 1, 2021. Lauren was sworn in by Associate Justice Patrick Donovan of the New Hampshire Supreme Court and was presented with a certificate of admission in recognition of her being admitted to practice law in the state of New Hampshire.

Lauren graduated from Massachusetts School of Law in 2019 where she was bestowed with a Juris Doctorate degree in law, and she is currently employed by The Bernstein Law Group, P.C., based in Beverly, Mass.

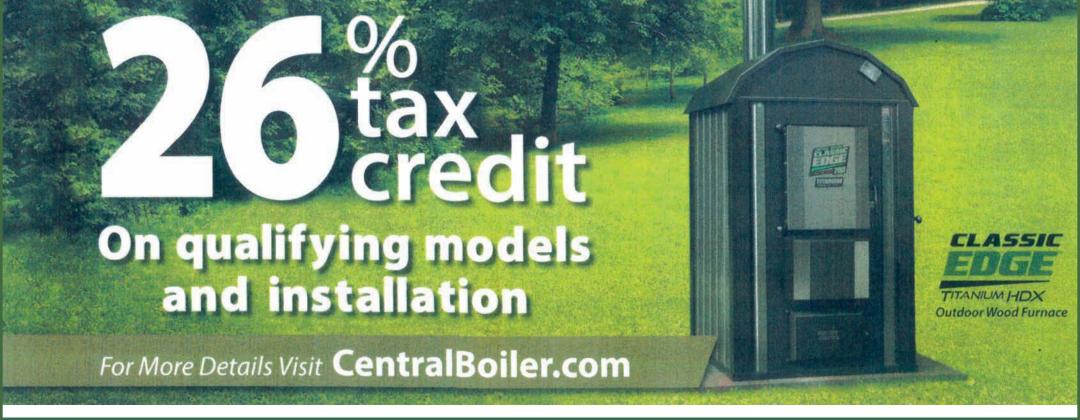
Lauren is the daughter of Mark and Tamara Fountain of Springfield, Vt., and resides in



Lauren Fountain, Esq.
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Andover, Mass. Congratulations, Lauren!





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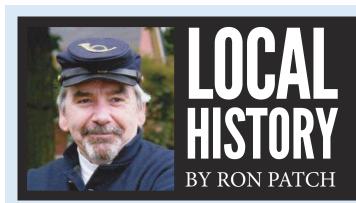


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Incident in the barn

Lee Decatur and I are good friends. We often go fishing or pal around together. Lee is 10 years older than me. childhood memories are a hoot. This is a story Lee recently told me. I asked him to write it down for me.

Incident in the barn

Kids will be kids, now and forever. is an antidote of an incident that took place in 1946 in my

house. The characters are my mom, my Dad, my older brother, and I.

It was a sunny spring afternoon in Kingston, N.H. where I grew up. I was 5 years old. My older brother Pete was 13 months older than me and my younger brother Forrest was 2. Mom was going to a Rebecca's meeting early one afternoon and left my father in charge of the three of us. Dad was a country doctor, one who would go to Exeter Hospital for his morning rounds, be home for lunch at noon, have office hours in the house in the afternoon, and go on house calls in the evening. The man was probably tired most of the time.

On this particular afternoon, brother Forrest was napping as usual, as was my Dad. Dad had a local carpenter, a Mr. Lissard, building bookcases, four of them about four feet wide and six feet high, for the upstairs hall - two of the bookcases are at camp now. He used the attached barn for a workplace, and he had just finished putting the last coat of white paint on them. With Dad asleep, my older brother thought that it would be a good idea to help Mr. Lishad me accompany him to the barn where he opened



Lee, left, and his brother Pete driving their homemade buggy 1948. PHOTO PROVIDED

one of the flat white cans of paint and took a brush and began to paint and invited me to join him.

Now, this was shortly after the war and automobiles were hard to get. Dad being a doctor managed to find a new black 1946 Mercury four-door, and it was only a few months old at this time. It was also parked about six feet from the bookcases.

You think you see it coming, don't you? Well, you are partly right. Pete thought that the car needed some paint also. So we went to work on it.

After a bit, Pete realized the error of his ways. In order to switch blame for this deed, he went to a sliding door that covered the entryway to the horse stalls and went to work in painting the name "LEE" in foot high letters. He thought that was a wonderful

Then he took me through the living room, past the napping Dad, to the cellar door, and went down the stairs to the 24 when I grew up the kerosene barrel where we proceeded to wash up with the foul smelling stuff, and then we returned upstairs to find my mother back from her meeting and Dad now wide awake.

Smelling the kerosene on us, they quizzed us on our sard with his project. He activities, and we were found out. Dad spent the next few hours taking the fresh paint off his car. Later, when quizzed about it, Pete told them that it was my idea and he could prove it - my name was on the stable door. Dad was very mad that Pete would do such a thing and blame it on me. He told Pete that it couldn't have been me because I couldn't spell my own name. I was only 5 and in those days most kids didn't learn to spell their names until first grade at 6 years

After my brother Forrest died in 2018, I took some time to go to the house I grew up in to look to see if the name was still there. It wasn't. The gentleman who was the present owner said that he "took the door down a few years ago because it was in such bad shape" and replaced it with a new one. I had a nice visit with him. The house now has three or four apartments in it, only 3.5 acres of land with it instead of there. Time moves on and things change as little as they should.

If you have any fun memories or stories of growing up you'd like to share, ring

This week's old saying: "The world is your cow, but you have to do the milking."

American Precision Museum opens with "Made by Hand to Made By Machine"-

WINDSOR, Vt. When the American Precision Museum in Windsor opens for the season May 1, visitors can expect to see a few changes. New displays will tell the important story of how precision manufacturing changed from "Made by Hand" to "Made by Machine." In the museum today, displays of early machinery are integrated into the broad story of American industrial history, enabling visitors to learn more of the important role the manufacturing industry continues to play in shaping American culture and society. "This new exhibit will

bring to light how products were first made by hand and then made by machine, through the brilliance of Kendall, Robbins and Lawrence," said Executive Director Steve Dalessio. The new display

will feature updated lighting and media, a new hand-tool display, and much more. "We look forward to sharing the new exhibit with you whether you're here at the museum or visiting us online," added Da-

Additionally, the Science and Technology of Measurement display has had an update for the new season. As part of the statewide exhibit "2020 Vision: Reflecting on a World-Changing Year," the update includes the measurement of heat, due to unprecedented use of forehead thermometers for Covid-19 symptom checking. The museum's collection of pyrometers and thermometers includes devices that can measure up to 3000 degrees Fahrenheit. Beside the measurement of heat and temperature, this display also features devices that measure speed, distance, time, power, and hardness.

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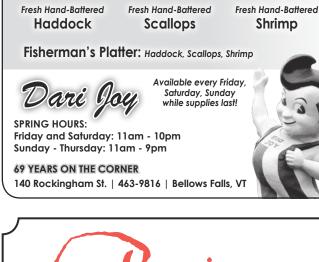
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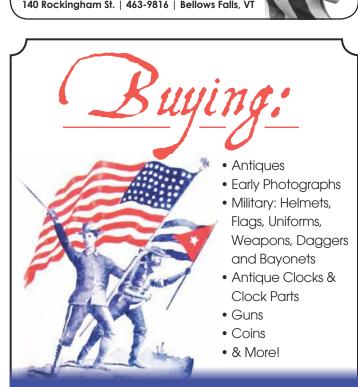
new Advanced Manufacturing display is also under construc-

tion that will feature the industrial purposes of 3D printing, advanced sensors, and electrical discharge machining.

For more information on events at the American Precision Museum, visit www. american precision.

The American Precision Museum is located in the 1846 Robbins & Lawrence Armory, a National Historic Landmark, and traces the beginnings of manufacturing to modern technology through exhibits and interactive programs. The museum is open for special programs and

far machine tools have come, a by appointment until April 30 and is open daily beginning May 1.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Publisher's open letter to Chester residents

Dear Chester residents,

On March 17, the town of Chester named The Chester Telegraph their legal paper of record. A paper of record serves as one piece of a process that informs residents and taxpayers about town operations. It is intended to be a documented outlet that can easily be looked back on at any time, and also to reach the largest audience possible.

Following the March 17 meeting, a public forum was held April 7 that allowed residents and the public to voice their concerns about the matter. There was public support for both The Vermont Journal and The Chester Telegraph.

At the April 21 meeting, chairman Arne Jonynas made a recommendation that the board continue to use The Vermont Journal in addition to The Chester Telegraph. Instead, the Chester Selectboard voted to use The Commons and The Chester Telegraph as their legal papers of record.

It is disheartening to me that the town of Chester decided to use these sources as their paper of record: a printed paper based out of Brattleboro with 180 papers in Chester - which are only available at local stores – and an online news source that is not accessible to everyone in town.

Chester is my home. I was raised here. I attended Chester-Andover Elementary School and graduated from Green Mountain Union High School. I used to ride my bike to Lisai's for a bulkie and penny candies before I made my way to the town pool. My parents and grandmother still live here. It is a community that I care about. I returned from college to my hometown to work in my community at The Vermont Journal. I take pride in being the publisher of a newspaper that covers the Chester community, and other surrounding towns that we all care about.

We may not be able to measure how many people are reading The Vermont Journal cover to cover, but I can guarantee that we are accessible to everyone. We are delivered to 100% of Chester residents - 2,293 papers each week - to every mailbox and post office box. We're also in local stores and we have a great online presence.

I do respect residents' decision to choose to The Chester Telegraph to read the news. But I also have had many residents come forward to tell me personally that they don't use a computer and rely on our paper to read the news.

Thank you, Chester residents, for expressing your concerns at the public forum, speaking with us directly, or sending letters to the Selectboard to voice your concern about a printed paper of record. We appreciate all your support.

We have half a dozen employees working hard to put our paper together and distribute it each week. We also have a handful of reporters who care and write about the communities they live in. Our advertisers - and legal notices - are what support our paper and staff. We're thankful for all of you.

We will continue to cover the events and happenings in the Chester community, along with the Selectboard meetings and other routine agenda items. There are many who look forward to sitting with our paper to turn each page, read our upcoming events, reminisce over Ron Patch's local history, and do our crossword puzzle. I take pride in everyone who chooses to read our paper. That's exactly what we're here for. We hear you, and we appreciate you.

Sincerely, Shawntae Webb Publisher

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Op-Ed: It's time to eliminate the tax on military retirement pay

It's well known that Vermont faces a demographic crisis. We have an aging population, with a shrinking workforce and reduced school enrollment. As a result, Vermonters continue to shoulder an increasing tax burden. Both of us discussed this trend during the last election and we know that for Vermont to recover from this pandemic, as we emerge as one of the safest and healthiest states in the nation, we must take steps to expand our tax base and bring new and diverse skills to our workforce. This includes investments in workforce recruitment and retention initiatives for Vermonters, establishing Vermont as a welcoming state for refugees, promoting Vermont as a home for remote workers, and eliminating the tax on military retirement

Vermont is one of just seven states that taxes military pensions. Veterans and their families have dedicated their lives to service, and it's imperative that we ensure Vermont is a place where they can live, work, and raise a family in retirement. We both share a deep respect for our veterans and a commitment to ensuring they can experience the quality of life Vermont has to offer.

Fully eliminating this tax is not only about honoring our veterans for their service and sacrifice, but also about growing our workforce and increasing diversity in our state.

Many military retirees are in their 40s. These men and women often retire from military service with a full civilian career ahead of them. Veterans have a high degree of training and the ability to fill essential, skilled jobs in our workforce. Additionally, because of their service and federal veterans' programs, they also secure millions of federal dollars for provisions like healthcare - expenses state government does not ultimately have to pay.

In conversations with servicemembers, particularly those who proudly serve in the Vermont National Guard, we often hear that the tax on military retirement pay is a significant barrier to remaining and retiring in Vermont. With the exception of time spent serving overseas, many have lived here their whole lives - like the two of us, they love our state and want to stay. They tell us that eliminating this tax, as all our border states have done, would make Vermont a more competitive option, meaning we could keep these valued members of our communities here. Let's listen to

Retaining these Vermonters would not be the only benefit. Eliminating the tax on veterans' pensions would also attract much needed workers to our state. Vermont has taken important steps in these efforts already. Over the past several years, the Scott Administration, Legislature, and Secretary of State's Office have worked together to recognize military experience for civilian professional licensure - making it easier for servicemembers to begin their civilian careers in occupations essential to our communities and economy, including electricians, nurses, plumbers, welders, machine technicians, and more.

These are just a few of the sectors in desperate need of more workers, and active duty servicemembers approaching retirement are not far away. Fort Drum in upstate New York, for example, is home to thousands of soldiers. Once they retire from active duty, they often wish to remain connected to the military and join state national

guards. Eliminating the tax on military retirement pay would provide the Vermont National Guard another tool to incentivize relocation to Vermont and membership in the Guard's

Furthermore, we both strongly agree that a diverse Vermont is a healthy Vermont, and we must work to establish Vermont as a more welcoming state for members of the BIPOC community. Over 35% of active duty servicemembers nationwide are members of the BIPOC community. Fewer than 6% of Vermonters are people of color. Let's work to welcome more BI-POC veterans to Vermont, and ensure others come home after completing their service to our state and nation.

Eliminating this tax is not a new proposal. Legislation has been introduced for years with broad, bipartisan support. We know there is no single solution to solving Vermont's demographic challenges or our workforce shortage. However, efforts like this will help and eventually lead to a stronger, more diverse, and economically viable state.

Written by Governor Phil Scott and Lt. Governor Molly

Johnson & Johnson vaccine clinics resume

REGION – The Vermont Department of Health announced it resumed use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine the week of April 26. The decision was made following the announcement late Friday by the FDA and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that it has studied and confirmed the Janssen/Johnson & Johnson vaccine is recommended for people 18 years of age and older, and that the pause on its use since April 13

"We are glad to have this

supply of vaccine available again to protect Vermonters from the Covid-19 virus," said Gov. Phil Scott. "I appreciate the transparent effort made by the CDC and FDA in reviewing the facts during the pause. This demonstrates the commitment we all have to ensuring vaccine safety. I encourage all Vermonters who are eligible to get vaccinated as quickly as possible, with whatever vaccine is available and most appropriate."

Vermonters age 18 and older can sign up for clinics that will offer the single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine. People age 16 and 17 are only eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine. To register for an appointment or change one you already have, please visit www.healthvermont.gov/My-Vaccine, or call 855-722-7878 if you need assistance. Certain participating pharmacy partners, including CVS and Walgreens, are making plans to also offer Johnson & Johnson vaccine. People can contact those pharmacies directly.

Health Commissioner Mark Levine, M.D. said that while the disruption was unfortunate, from a public health perspective the actions taken to pause and study were completely appropriate. "This is public health at work. We have a responsibility to make sure the science is sound, so that people have confidence in the J&J, and all vaccines," said Dr. Levine.

The CDC announced the pause after reports of a small number of people experiencing adverse reactions involving a rare and severe type of blood clot called cerebral venous sinus thrombosis. This type of blood clot is found in the blood vessels that drain blood from the brain and is combined with low platelets. Platelets help blood clot and stop bleeding. The problems were found up to two weeks after vaccination. There have been no reported cases of these side effects in Vermont.

Vermont joined most other states in pausing use of the vaccine on the recommendation of the CDC. Federal health officials announced the temporary halt to allow the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices time to review additional data about reported side effects. Nearly 8 million doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine have been administered in the U.S.

Dr. Levine said that Vermont's healthcare providers have been given information and guidance about the potential blood clotting symptoms and appropriate medical treatment. Updated clinician guidance will continue to

Although the side effects of concern are extremely rare, the FDA and CDC recommend that people who develop severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath within three weeks of receiving the Johnson & Johnson vaccine should immediately contact their healthcare provider.

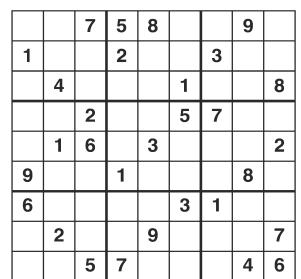
For more information and to register for your vaccination, visit www.healthvermont.gov/ MyVaccine.

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by Linda Thistle



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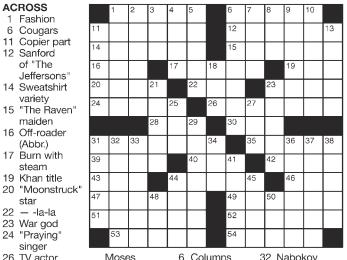
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CHURCH SERVICES

obituaries

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. -

Marilyn L. Clark, 80, of Bel-

lows Falls, Vt., passed away

April 14, 2021 at home sur-

rounded by her family. Mari-

lyn was born Dec. 19, 1940 in

Claremont, N.H. to Lester and

Springfield High School in

1958. She worked part-time

at J&L Credit Union and later

as a bookkeeper for Clark &

Stratton Carpentry. However,

her favorite job was that of be-

ing the best grandmother ever.

ried Wayne T. Clark whom

predeceased her in May of

On June 7, 1958, she mar-

Marilyn graduated from

Mary (Ryan) Tallman.

Marilyn L. Clark, 1940-2021

Barbara M. Gordon, 1935-2021

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Barbara M. (Snow) Gordon, 85, died Saturday, April 24, 2021 peacefully at her home surrounded by her loving family. Barbara was born Aug. 28, 1935 in Sunderland, Vt., daughter of Floyd and Florence Snow. She attended Arlington High School in Arlington, Vt. She later married Willis L. Gordon Sr., from Andover, Nov. 30,

Barbara spent most of her adult life as a loving wife and dedicated mother and grandmother. Barbara worked at Idlenot Restaurant as a cook in Londonderry, also a waitress at the Red Clover Lodge in South Londonderry. Willis and Barbara owned a Texaco station and restaurant in Londonderry for many years. She loved chatting with her children, grandchildren, and friends. She loved family gatherings, cooking, sewing, and playing a game of cards. Barbara and Willis had a seasonal home in Bethlehem, Fla. and spent many winters

Barbara is survived by her five children, Willis Jr. and wife Cindy of New York, Laurie Wachlin and husband Chuck of



Barbara M. Gordon, 1935-2021.

Minnesota, Dustin Sr. and wife Sheila of Londonderry, Steven and wife Donna of New York, Deborah Blackmer and friend of Londonderry; 14 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. Barbara is also survived by a half-brother Clinton Snow, and half-sister Mary Kerner. She was predeceased by her husband Willis in 2019, two sisters, and one brother.

A celebration of life will be held May 8, 2021 at 1 p.m. at Dustin and Sheila Gordon's residence, 3031 Route 11, Londonderry, Vt.

BELLOWS FALLS, VT.

Immanuel Episcopal Church, 20 Church St.

Please join us Sundays at 10 a.m. via Zoom. Go to Facebook @ ImmanuelEpiscopalChurch. For more information, go to www. immanuelepiscopal.org.

CAVENDISH, VT.

Cavendish Baptist Church, 2258 Main St.

Sunday services are 10 a.m. online or in person. If you attend in-person, please wear a mask and practice physical distancing. Extra masks are available. Online services are on Facebook at 10 a.m. Go to www.facebook.com/Cavendish-Baptist-Church-258814894244302. More at www.CavendishBaptist. com or call 802-226-7131.

CHESTER, VT.

First Universalist Parish of Chester, Route 103 North

Services are Sundays at 10 a.m. on Zoom. To request a Zoom link, email firstuniversalistparishchester@gmail.com. Sunday services run from September to early June.

Chester Baptist Church, 162 Main St.

Sermons are available live Sunday at 10:30 a.m. on the

streaming page at www.chesterbaptist.org.

GRAFTON, VT.

Grafton Community Church, 55 Main St.

Worship begins Sunday at 10 a.m. Masks must be worn in the sanctuary and maintain a safe distance from others. View sermons on Zoom. For more information, go to www. graftoncommunitychurch.org or call 802-843-2346.

LUDLOW, VT.

Annunciation Catholic Church, Corner of Depot and High St.

Church has reopened for Sunday and weekday masses: Saturday at 4:30 p.m., Sundays at 8 a.m., and 10 a.m. For more information, go to www.okemovalleycatholicparishes.com or call 802-228-3451.

Tyson Community Church, Corner of Rt. 100 and Dublin Rd. Service is at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom. For more information, go

to Facebook @TysonCommunityChurch, call 802-522-8249, or email cindysummer55@gmail.com.

MOUNT HOLLY, VT.

Village Baptist Church, 32 Church St.

We've returning to our renovated sanctuary. Masks recommended, but we welcome all to come and worship with us Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Glenn Davis is available to counsel or pray with anyone who is struggling with anxiety or other issues at 802-259-2440.

SPRINGFIELD, VT.

Church of Christ, Rt. 11, 972 Chester Rd.

Sunday services are streamed online at 10 a.m. For more information, go to Facebook @SpringfieldVTChurchofChrist.

St. Mary's Catholic Church, 10 Pleasant St.

Sunday mass is at 9 a.m. and Tuesday at 7 p.m. to watch the live streams, go to www.youtube.com and search Holy Family Parish Springfield Vermont. Streaming is available five minutes before the service starts. For more information, go to www. stmaryjoseph.com.

WALPOLE, N.H.

St. John's Episcopal Church, corner of Westminster and Elm St.

Sunday services are 10 a.m. via Zoom. The service includes organ music, readings from the Bible, prayers, and a sermon by rev. Duncan Hilton. We plan to resume outdoor services when the weather is warmer. For more information, go to www. stjohnswalpole.org, email pastor@stjohnswalpole.org, or leave a message at 603-756-4533.

George H. Dolloph, 1951-2021

ROCKINGHAM, Vt. George H. Dolloph, 69, passed away Friday, April 16, 2021 at the Veterans Hospital in West Roxbury, Mass. He was born Sept. 14, 1951, in Saxtons River, Vt., to Charles and Irene Lanou Dolloph.

George was a graduate of the Bellows Falls Union High School. He served in the U.S. Army overseas from 1971-1974. Most recently he was employed by Benny's Auto in Chester, Vt., and Catamount in Westminster, Vt. For many years, he was a member of the Rockingham Volunteer Fire Department.

George was a loving son, companion, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. Those he loved are what were most important to him. George's kindness and humility was evidenced in the relationships he held. All who knew him could appreciate his quick wit, smile, and sense of humor. George's personality was that of always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone that needed him. He was well known for being a phenomenal mechanic when faced with a challenge in repair he used his ingenuity and creativity to create what was needed to fix the problem. George was most happy when working on projects he was passionate about. He had a love for mechanics of all kinds, woodworking with his sawmill, being in the garden, riding his motorcycle, and being with family and friends.

He is survived by his mother, Irene Lanou Dolloph Bussino Schaefer of Springfield, Vt.; the love of his life, Roseann Drexler of Rockingham, Vt.; his siblings, Fred Marshey of Candia, N.H., Fred Bussino of Alexandria, N.H., William Bus-

TITUSVILLE, Fla. - Rose

Alice Newell (Stoodley), 70, of

Titusville, Fla., died from re-

spiratory COPD failure from

Covid-19 Wednesday, April 7,

2021, surrounded by her be-

Sr. and Rosalin (Leary). She was

a 1969 graduate of Bellows Falls

High School in Bellows Falls, Vt.

Falls, Vt., Rose Alice married

Paul Newell, who predeceased

She is survived by her beloved

son, Daniel Newell Rennie and

wife Shauna, granddaughter

Ariel Rennie and great-grand-

daughter Hurley Rennie of Ti-

tusville, Fla.; daughter-in-law Janel Baker and son Jimmy;

brothers Frank E. Stoodley Jr.

and his son Jeffrey, Michael

Stoodley and his wife Debora

of Bellows Falls, Vt., and John T.

Stoodley and his wife Suzanne

of Westminster, Vt.; sister Joan

Edwards (Stoodley) of Plant

City, Fla.; sister-in-law Marga-

ret Badger of Manchester, Vt.;

and many nieces and nephews.

Predeceased by brothers Don-

T's home. She spent countless

hours visiting with her brothers,

nieces and nephews, and dear friends "On the Porch," while

passersby would toot their car

horns to acknowledge a friendly

She was truly radiant, beauti-

ful, loving, and a bright light to

all who knew her - especially on

the dance floor. She will truly be

missed at the BF Alumni Week-

end dance at the American Le-

and aunts.

On Sept. 14, 1974, in Bellows

Rose Alice was born Aug. 21, 1950, Springfield, Vt., the daughter of Frank E. Stoodlev

loved family.



George H. Dolloph, 1951-2021.

sino of Claremont, N.H., Louise Wright of Swanzey, N.H., Deborah Rosewolf of Ossipee, N.H., Judy Gonthier of Goshen, N.H., Julie Buffum (Earl) of Springfield, Vt., and Melinda Bussino of Springfield, Vt.

He is also survived by his children, Matthew Dolloph (Michelle) of Grafton, Vt., Betsy Perry (Doug) of Grafton, Vt., Charles Dolloph of Grafton, Vt., and Sarah Dolloph of Chester, Vt., and also by the kids that he raised like his own, James McCool, Rebecca Drexler, both from Rockingham, Vt., and Nicole Fine from Maryland. He was a loving grandpa to Jenna and Ryan Dolloph, Calleigh and Zoey Perry, Niki, Charles Jr. and Garett Dolloph, Joleen and Jasmine Burton; Mariah Crum, and Elizabeth McCool; and great-grandpa to Grayson and Hayden Fletcher.

He was predeceased by his father, Charles Dolloph; his stepfather, Fred Bussino Jr.; his sister Norma Bussino Nicholson; his daughter, Gabby Dolloph; and a granddaughter, Jordan Dolloph.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date at the convenience of the family.

Rose Alice Newell, 1950-2021.

gion Hall. She could cut a rug!

Her infectious laughter and the

way she loved will never be for-

gotten. She had such a kind soul

to everyone and anyone she en-

held Saturday, May 1, 2021, at

Sandpoint Park Pavilion, 101

N. Washington Avenue, Titus-

ville, FL, from 12:30-7:30 p.m.

and also on the same day at her

brother John T's home, 7836

U.S. Route 5, Westminster, VT,

from 1 p.m. to when the fire

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A Celebration of Life will be

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Rose Alice Newell, 1950-2021

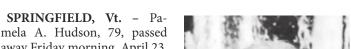
2021 at Hanover Terrace in Hanover, N.H. She was born Feb. 26, 1942 in Rumford, Maine, the daughter of William C. and Adelaide E. (Dower) Mock. She graduated high school in Mexico, Maine, and later completed the dental assistant program in South Portland, Maine.

assistant in South Portland, Maine, and was a member of the Chorus with the Portland Performing Arts Company. She later worked with hospice in the Springfield, Vt. area.

She is survived by her husband Paul, sons Eric W. Hudson of White River Jct., Vt., and Matthew F. Hudson of Springfield, Vt.; four grandchildren Jason, Erin, Benjamin, and Nicholas; one great-grand-

2005. She is survived by two daughters, Paula (Eric) Davis of Bellows Falls, and Sabrina (Ivan) Hallock of Guilford, Vt. She leaves eight grandchildren, Erica McElroy, Kayla Schultz, Corbin McElroy, Baylee Davis, William Davis, Jacob Davis, Kale Raymond, and Jessica Brooks. She also leaves 18 great-grandchildren, the last one being born on her 80th birthday. Also, a brother Grant Tallman of New Hampshire, and a sister Linda Videll of Connecticut.

There will be a graveside service held by the family at a



Pamela A. Hudson, 1942-2021

away Friday morning, April 23, Pamela worked as a dental

On March 25, 1967, Pamela married Paul F. Hudson in Mexico, Maine. They moved to Springfield, Vt., where they have made their home since. She was a longtime and active member of the Springfield United Methodist Church, officer of the Troy Conference United Methodist Church, president of the United Methodist Women's Conference, and active in many other aspects of the United Methodist Church.

daughter Aubree; and nieces.

She was predeceased by her



Pamela A. Hudson, 1942-2021. PHOTO PROVIDED

parents and her brother William C. Mock II.

Friends may call at the Davis Memorial Chapel in Springfield Wednesday evening, May 5, 2021, from 6-8 p.m. A funeral service will be held Thursday May 6, 2021 at 1 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Springfield, Vt. Reverend Gerry Piper will officiate. Burial will follow in the Oakland Cemetery in Springfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association, 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 900 Arlington, VA 22202.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, Davis Memorial Chapel and the United Methodist Church are limited to 50% capacity; masks and social distancing are required.

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outdoor

Successful hunters can report their turkey online or at reporting station –

REGION - A successful hunter in Vermont's April 24-25 youth and novice turkey weekend and the May 1-31 spring turkey season must, by law, report their turkey within 48 hours to the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department. The department says hunters can report their turkey online through its website, www.vtfishandwildlife.com, or at local big game reporting stations.

"Online reporting was used successfully last year," said turkey biologist

Chris Bernier. "It is convenient for the hunter, and the information collected has proven to be just as valuable for monitoring and managing wild turkey populations."

The information needed to report turkeys online is the same as what has been traditionally collected at big game reporting



Vermont hunters who take a turkey this spring can report it online at Vermont Fish & Wildlife's website or at a big game reporting station.

stations including license, tag and contact information, harvest details, and biological measurements.

There are a few things hunters can do in advance to make submitting a report easier such as having their Conservation ID Number handy, knowing what town and Wildlife Management Unit the bird was harvested in, and completing all the necessary measurements such as beard and spur lengths and weight.

Although not required, the department also requests that hunters use the online reporting tool to upload a digital photo showing the bird's beard and properly tagged leg. Hunters who provide a valid email address will receive a confirmation email when they successfully submit a turkey harvest report using this new online reporting tool.

The department reminds hunters to wear a face covering and practice social distancing if they bring their turkey to a reporting station. Vermont's big game reporting stations are listed under "Hunt" on the left side of Vermont Fish & Wildlife's website home page.

Saxtons River Rec annual Fishing Derby returns

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. -The Saxtons River Rec Area Annual Fishing Derby is back! This year's fishing der-

by is happening Saturday, May 8. Things are going to be a little different than years past so please take

Face masks will be required for everyone - children and adults - and no exceptions will be made that do not fall within context of the state mandate, in order to protect the safety of everyone attending, including volunteers. Individuals who are not willing to comply will not be permitted to be on the grounds.
We will be hosting

different shifts for the three different age groups to help ensure more children can participate with their families and still be able to abide with mandated safety and social distancing protocols. Families with children in multiple age groups will only be allowed to have the appropriately aged child registered and fishing during

their given time. Siblings can

be present, but just not fish.

Children ages 4 to 6 will start registering at 8 a.m. with fishing beginning at 8:30 a.m. Age

at this event. Participants and

Saxtons River Fishing Derby is back for 2021.

group 7 to 10 will begin regis-

tering at 9:15 a.m. with fishing

starting at 9:45 a.m. Age group

11 through 14 will begin regis-

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See you Saturday, May 8, and thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding as we bring back this dearly loved event during these everchanging times.

Vernal Pools: Wicked big puddles or critical wildlife habitat? -

are invited to participate in temporary pools and puddles Puddles or Critical Wildlife Habitat?" another in the Londonderry Conservation Commission's ongoing series of vir-

Conservation biologist Steve Faccio from Vermont Center for Ecostudies will take us

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - You on a tour of vernal pools, the ogy of these small, short-"Vernal Pools: Wicked Big found throughout New England. Do you want to know about all those peeps, quacks, grunts, clicks, and trills you hear on a spring night? Come find out as Steve explores vernal pools, highlighting those noisy frogs and colorful salamanders. Learn about the ecol-

lived wetlands and the roles they play in our forest ecosystems.

The program happens Thursday, April 29 at 7 p.m. Go to the Londonderry Conservation Commission's Events page at www.tinyurl. com/Zoom-LCC you'll find complete instructions for joining by computer or telephone. While you're there, look for the link to LCC's YouTube channel where you'll be able to enjoy all of our past presentations.

Vermont allocates moose hunting permits for 2021

MONTPELIER, Vt. – The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Board voted April 7 to have 60 either-sex moose hunting permits and 40 antlerless moose hunting permits available this year for a hunt limited to Vermont's Wildlife Management Unit E in the northeastern corner of the state. The science-based hunt will result in an estimated harvest of 51 to 66 moose, or 5% of the more

than 1,000 moose currently estimated to live in WMU E.

Permit applications are now available on the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department's webwww.vtfishandwildlife.

"Moose density in WMU E remains well above one moose per square mile, significantly higher than any other part of the state," said Nick Fortin, Vermont Fish & Wildlife's biologist in charge of the moose project. "Moose densities greater than one per square mile support high numbers of winter ticks which negatively impact moose health and survival."

The lottery application deadline is June 30. Winners of the lottery will purchase hunting permits. Nonresident applicants are encouraged to consider Covid-19 travel restrictions before applying as permits issued in 2021 will not

be held to the following 2022 hunting season.

Hunters who held a permit within the past five years are not eligible to apply for a permit or to buy a bonus point. Applicants must continue to annually submit a moose permit application if they wish to retain their past bonus permits and accumulate subsequent bonus points.

By law, five permits will be available to Vermont military veterans and up to three permits will be available for cial Opportunity" recipients with life-threatening illnesses, and three permits will be auctioned in accordance with regulations.

The 2021 Moose Season recommendation and related information about moose research and management are available on Vermont Fish & Wildlife's website at www.vtfishandwildlife.com.



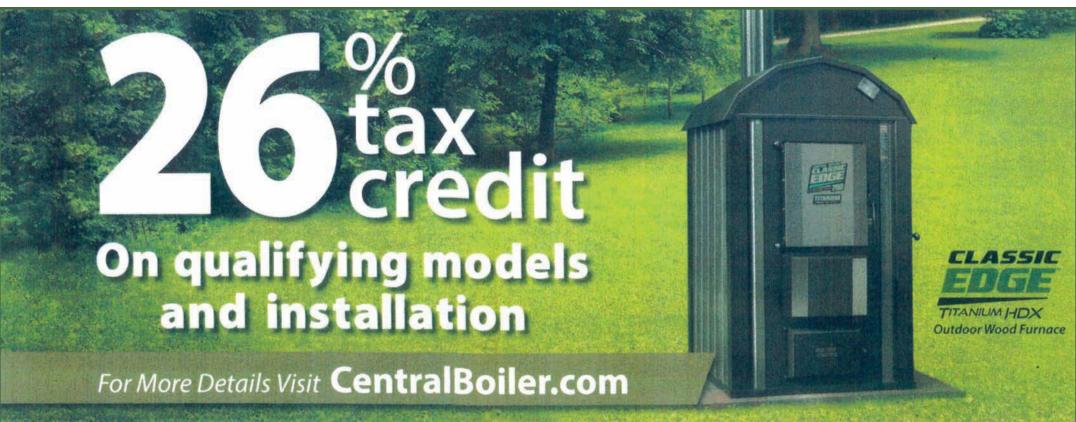
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Heritage Family Credit Union has open positions to provide world class service to our members. These positions require a high attention to detail and strong member service, com-

munication, and interpersonal skills. Full Time Teller in Ludlow. Financial Services Representative in Londonderry. Please visit www.hfcuvt.com for more information, to see the full list of open positions, and to apply. E.O.E. (05/04)

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Lasser Ceramics in Londonderry is looking for full time production studio help. We will train the right candidate in wet clay, sales, and marketing. Call 802-824-6183. (05/04)

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ASCUTNEY, Vt. - Full-time help wanted. Local contractor seeking experienced carpenter, must have own tools and transportation. \$30+ depending on experience. Call 802-674-5892.

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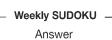
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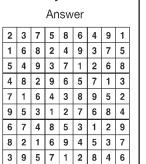
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Town of Londonderry, Vermont **Invitation to Bid**

The Town of Londonderry, VT is seeking bids for general contractor services for restoration work at the historic Londonderry Town Hall. Bid documents can be viewed on the Town website - www.londonderryvt.org. A mandatory site visit is scheduled for May 11, 2021 at 11:00 AM, and the deadline to electronically submit bids is 2:00 PM on May 17, 2021.

Shane O'Keefe, Town Administrator

TOWN OF POWNAL PUBLIC HEARING ON DRAFT BY-LAWS **POWNAL, VERMONT**

Via Zoom (link below) 2 separate public hearings, on May 11 and May 13, information on both below

Date: May 11th, 2021 at 6:00PM

Via Zoom (instructions for signing in below)

- 1. Draft Zoning By-laws Review
- 2. Public Comment 3. Adjourn

Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/91741526420?pwd=eU4zSmFZOThj-

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Passcode: 430840 Dial by your location

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Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/adGPddJWza

Date: May 13th, 2021 at 6:00PM

Via Zoom (instructions for signing in below)

- 1. Draft Zoning By-laws Review
- 2. Public Comment
- 3. Adjourn

Join Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/91825976408?pwd=YVgxNz-FyOWQ4MnAyYVVYMDlGcytCZz09

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NOTICE OF TAX SALE

TAX SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Town of Cavendish, Vermont

mortgages of lands in the Town of Cavendish in the coun-

ty of Windsor are hereby notified that the taxes assessed

utilities remain, either in whole or in part, unpaid on the

Revocable Living Trust to Jeffrey Biasuzzi, dated June 16,

2003 and recorded in Book 58, Pages 326-328 of the Land

Reference may be had to said deed for more particular

description of said lands and premises, as the same ap-

so much of the lands will be sold at public action at the

Town Office Building, 37 High Street, Cavendish, Ver-

mont, on May 5, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite

to discharge said taxes together with costs and other fees

Dated at Cavendish, Vermont this 14th day of April, 2021.

allowed by law, unless the same be previously paid.

pears in the Land Records of the Town of Cavendish. And

Office of the Town Tax Collector, located at the Cavendish

following land and premises described in the Warranty

Deed from Frederick B. Burnett and Barbara Robert,

Trustee Gilbert W. Roberts Jr. and Barbara E. Roberts

Records of the Town of Cavendish.

Brendan McNamara

Town Manager and

Collector of Delinquent Taxes

by such town for the year 2020-2021 and municipal

The resident and nonresident owners, lien holders and

MAY 1 -

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. -Charlestown Senior Center is providing a Take-Out-Only Complete Turkey Supper Saturday, May 1, from 4 – 4:45 p.m. Order Friday, April 30 between 9 a.m. to noon or Saturday, May 1 between noon -3 p.m. Menu includes potatoes, carrots, stuffing, green beans, gravy, cranberry sauce, and rolls and butter as well as homemade treats for dessert. You will be able to drive through and we will hand you your meal through your window.

MAY 8 -

GRAFTON, Vt. - The Nature Museum in Grafton is hosting a special spring birding walk led by Vermont Center for Ecostudies' Kevin Tolan and Nathaniel Sharp at the Herrick's Cove natural area along the Connecticut River in Bellows Falls Saturday, May 8 at 7 a.m. Herrick's Cove natural area is considered an important birding and biodiversity area by The Audubon Society. This walk is best for those who are comfortable beginner birders on up, but all

STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT WINDHAM UNIT

PROBATE DIVISION DOCKET NO: 21-PR-00502

In re ESTATE of: LEO SPRAGUE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To the Creditors of: LEO SPRAGUE, late of WINDHAM, VERMONT:

I have been appointed to administer this estate. All creditors having claims against the decedent or the estate must present their claims in writing within four (4) months of the date of the first publication of this notice. The claim must be presented to me at the address listed below with a copy sent to the Court. The claim may be barred forever if it is not presented as described above within the four (4) month period.

Dated: April 20, 2021

Executor c/o Moore Law Offices, LLC Bellows Falls, VT 05101 (802) 463-4327

/s/ Christine Reindeau

Name of Publication: Publication Date

April 28, 2021

Vermont Journal

STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT WINDHAM UNIT PROBATE DIVISION DOCKET NO: 21-PR-00315

In re ESTATE of: JUDY RUGGIERO

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To the Creditors of: JUDY RUGGIERO, late of WINDHAM, VERMONT

Vermont Journal

April 28, 2021

I have been appointed to administer this estate. All creditors having claims against the decedent or the estate must present their claims in writing within four (4) months of the date of the first publication of this notice. The claim must be presented to me at the address listed below with a copy sent to the Court. The Claim may be barred forever if it is not presented as described above within the four (4) month period.

/s/ Joseph Ruggiero c/o Moore Law Offices, LLC Bellows Falls, VT 05101 (802) 463-4327

Name of Publication: **Publication Date:**

Address of Probate Court

Vermont Superior Court Probate Division – Windham Unit 30 Putney Road, 2nd Floor, Brattleboro, VT 05301

birders are welcome. Visit www.nature-museum. org to learn more and to register.

MAY 9 -

GASSETTS, Vt. - On May 9, Mothers Day, The Green Mountain Express and Gassetts Grange are holding an outside (non-open mic) Jam, from 1-4 p.m., at the grange, located near the junction of Route 103 North and Route 10. Please bring your own chairs. Face coverings, maintain social distancing, and signing in at the table with name and phone number are all mandatory. There is a suggested donation. We will have snacks, bottled water, and some sodas on sale. We will have at least three canopies to protect from the sun.

Rain date will be the next Sunday, May 16. Call 802-591-4290 for more information.

MAY 29 -

WARDSBORO, Vt. - The Wardsboro Pubic Library is having their plant sale Saturday, May 29, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The sale will take place at the library, 170 Main Street, Wardsboro. All Covid safety precautions will be in place. There will also be a same day garden raffle.

TOWN OF LONDONDERRY VERMONT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Londonderry Development Review Board will meet

hearing for an application from Henry Benedict to build

at 5:30 PM on Wednesday 5/19/2021, to hold a public

a single-family home on Hobart Rd, a Class IV Rd.

Pursuant to 24 V.S.A. Sections 4464(a)(1)(c) and

4471(a), participation in the local proceedings is a

prerequisite to take any subsequent appeal. Application

*Due to the ongoing COVID 19 health emergency, the

meeting will be held through the means of remote elec-

tronic access as permitted under act 92, signed into law

by Vt. Governor Scott on March 30, 2020. Notice of how

to attend will be provided at the time of legal posting

site-www.londonderryvt.org, or contact the Zoning

by email, mail, video or telephone.

of Cavendish.

Brendan McNamara

Collector of Delinquent Taxes

Town Manager and

of the meeting agenda, which will take place at least 48

hours prior to the meeting. Please check the town's web-

Administrator prior to the meeting on how to participate

NOTICE OF TAX SALE

TAX SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Town of Cavendish, Vermont

The resident and nonresident owners, lien holders and

mortgages of lands in the Town of Cavendish in the coun-

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utilities remain, either in whole or in part, unpaid on the

following land and premises described in the Warranty

Deed from Christopher P. Finnerty to David W. Harris

Reference may be had to said deed for more particular

description of said lands and premises, as the same ap-

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Town Office Building, 37 High Street, Cavendish, Ver-

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pears in the Land Records of the Town of Cavendish. And

Office of the Town Tax Collector, located at the Cavendish

and Patricia A. Harris, dated March 2, 2001 and recorded

in Book 52, Pages 93-94 of the Land Records of the Town

by such town for the year 2020-2021 and municipal

materials are available by emailing the town's Zoning

Administrator at zoningadmin@londonderryvt.org.

SUNDAYS -REGION – The Catamount Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol has resumed meeting on Sundays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. The Civil Air Patrol is the auxiliary unit of the U.S. Air Force tasked with the mission of supporting

America's communities with emergency response, diverse aviation and ground services, youth development and promotion of air, space and cyber power. Cadets as young as 12 and Senior Members of any age make up this diverse group of volunteers.

MONDAYS -

REGION - "Nurturing Skills for Families in Recovery" is an online mutual self-help support group for parents aided by a trained facilitator. The group will meet Mondays from 1-2:30 p.m. Whoever said parenting is easy? It's probably the toughest job you will ever have, and sometimes it can be pretty overwhelming. You are not alone! Come and join us. For more information and to join the free group, contact Amber at amenard@pcavt.org or call 802-498-0603.

WEDNESDAYS -

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. -Advanced directives: Where do I find the forms? Who should be named as my healthcare agent? Who do I give the completed form to? How do I talk with my family about my healthcare wishes if I'm unable to speak for myself? Every Wednesday at 10 a.m., Taking Steps Brattleboro is offering Advanced Care Planning informational meetings via Zoom. To receive the Zoom invitation, call Dan Freeman at 802-257-0775 ext. 101 or email don.freeman@ brattleborohospice.org.

REGION - Lori Wright from DG Bodyworks is offering a 45-minute slow flow yoga class via Zoom Wednesdays at 5 p.m. for all levels to improve flexibility and strength, reduce stress, and bring balance. Choose to attend the class live or watch the recorded session at any time during the week at your own perfect time. Contact Lori at loriwright163@gmail.com or call 603-401-8123 to register.

THURSDAYS -

REGION - "Circle of Parents in Recovery" is an online mutual selfhelp support group for parents aided by a trained facilitator. The group will meet Thursdays from 3-4:30 p.m. Whoever said parenting is easy? It's probably the toughest job you will ever have, and sometimes it can be pretty overwhelming. You are not alone! Come and join us. For more information and to join the free group, contact Amber at amenard@pcavt.org or call 802-498-0603.

REGION - "Circle of Parents for Grandparents" is an online mutual selfhelp support group aided by a trained facilitator. The group will meet Thursdays from 4-5 p.m. Come and join us. For more information and to join the free group, contact Amber at amenard@pcavt.org or call 802-498-0603.

REGION - If you want to drink that's your business, but if you want to stop, that's ours. Contact Alcoholics Anonymous at www.aavt.org or call your local hotline at 802-885-8281 and join a meeting.

NOTICE OF TAX SALE TAX SALE OF REAL ESTATE

The resident and nonresident owners, lien holders and mortgages of lands in the Town of Cavendish in the coun-Andrew L. Blaise Jr., dated June 1, 1994 and recorded in Book 47, Pages 136–137 of the Land Records of the Town

Reference may be had to said deed for more particular description of said lands and premises, as the same appears in the Land Records of the Town of Cavendish. And so much of the lands will be sold at public action at the Office of the Town Tax Collector, located at the Cavendish Town Office Building, 37 High Street, Cavendish, Vermont, on May 5, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge said taxes together with costs and other fees allowed by law, unless the same be previously paid.

Brendan McNamara

Town of Cavendish, Vermont

ty of Windsor are hereby notified that the taxes assessed by such town for the year 2020-2021 and municipal utilities remain, either in whole or in part, unpaid on the following land and premises described in the Warranty Deed from Andrew L. Blaise and Caryl M. Blaise to of Cavendish.

Dated at Cavendish, Vermont this 14th day of April, 2021.

Town Manager and Collector of Delinquent Taxes

NOTICE OF TAX SALE TAX SALE OF REAL ESTATE Town of Cavendish, Vermont

The resident and nonresident owners, lien holders and mortgages of lands in the Town of Cavendish in the county of Windsor are hereby notified that the taxes assessed by such town for the year 2020-2021 and municipal utilities remain, either in whole or in part, unpaid on the following land and premises described in the Warranty Deed from Gerald R. Martel and Ada G. Martel to Gary J. Martel and D'Nelle Martel, dated February 28, 1989 and recorded in Book 43, Pages 332-333 of the Land Records of the Town of Cavendish.

Reference may be had to said deed for more particular description of said lands and premises, as the same appears in the Land Records of the Town of Cavendish. And so much of the lands will be sold at public action at the Office of the Town Tax Collector, located at the Cavendish Town Office Building, 37 High Street, Cavendish, Vermont, on May 5, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge said taxes together with costs and other fees allowed by law, unless the same be previously paid.

Dated at Cavendish, Vermont this 14th day of April, 2021.

Brendan McNamara Town Manager and Collector of Delinquent Taxes

NOTICE OF TAX SALE TAX SALE OF REAL ESTATE Town of Cavendish, Vermont

The resident and nonresident owners, lien holders and mortgages of lands in the Town of Cavendish in the county of Windsor are hereby notified that the taxes assessed by such town for the year 2020-2021 and municipal utilities remain, either in whole or in part, unpaid on the following land and premises described in the Decree from Soren R. Pierce to Silas Moore, dated March 12, 1953 and recorded in Book 30, Page12of the Land Records of the Town of Cavendish.

Reference may be had to said deed for more particular description of said lands and premises, as the same appears in the Land Records of the Town of Cavendish. And so much of the lands will be sold at public action at the Office of the Town Tax Collector, located at the Cavendish Town Office Building, 37 High Street, Cavendish, Vermont, on May 5, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge said taxes together with costs and other fees allowed by law, unless the same be previously

Dated at Cavendish, Vermont this 14th day of April,

Brendan McNamara Town Manager and Collector of Delinquent Taxes

NOTICE OF TAX SALE TAX SALE OF REAL ESTATE Town of Cavendish, Vermont

The resident and nonresident owners, lien holders and mortgages of lands in the Town of Cavendish in the county of Windsor are hereby notified that the taxes assessed by such town for the year 2020-2021 and municipal utilities remain, either in whole or in part, unpaid on the following land and premises described in the Warranty Deed from James T. Galligan and Judith A. Galligan to Karl Von Hess and Lenora Von Hess, dated December 19, 1986 and recorded in Book 41, Pages 438-439 of the Land Records of the Town of Cavendish.

Reference may be had to said deed for more particular description of said lands and premises, as the same appears in the Land Records of the Town of Cavendish. And so much of the lands will be sold at public action at the Office of the Town Tax Collector, located at the Cavendish Town Office Building, 37 High Street, Cavendish, Vermont, on May 5, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge said taxes together with costs and other fees allowed by law, unless the same be previously paid.

Dated at Cavendish, Vermont this 14th day of April, 2021.

Brendan McNamara Town Manager and Collector of Delinquent Taxes The Vermont Journal/The Shopper April 28, 2021 | 9A

LEGAL NOTICES

sports

Spring sports schedule April 29-May 8

REGION – Game schedules are subject to change. For more information about an individual game or team, go to the schools'

athletic department websites. If you would like to submit sports news or photos from a recent game, please email editor@vermontjournal.com.

THURSDAY, APRIL 29 -

<u>Baseball –</u>

Green Mountain at Otter Valley, 4:30 p.m. Springfield at Bellows Falls, 4:30 p.m. Woodstock at Leland & Gray, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Tennis -

Bellows Falls at Burr & Burton, 4:30 p.m.

<u>Softball</u> –

Otter Valley at Springfield, 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 30 -

<u>Softball</u> –

Leland & Gray at Bellows Falls, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Tennis -

Rutland at Bellows Falls, 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 1

Baseball -

Green Mountain at Windsor, 11 a.m.

Softball -

Green Mountain at Otter Valley, 4:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 3 -

Softball -

Green Mountain at Mill River, 4:30 p.m.

<u>Track & Field –</u>

Fall Mountain at Ha-

nover, 4 p.m.

Ultimate <u> Frisbee – </u>

Brattleboro Bellows Falls, 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY,

MAY 4 -

Baseball -Fair Haven at

Bellows Falls, 4:30 p.m. Leland & Gray at Mill River, 4:30 p.m. Springfield at Burr & Burton, 4:30 p.m.

Softball -

Green Mountain at West Rutland, 4:30 p.m. Mill River at Leland & Gray, 4:30 p.m. Springfield at Burr & Burton, 4:30 p.m. White River Valley at Bellow Falls, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Tennis -

Hartford at Bellows Falls, 4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 6 -

Baseball -

Brattleboro at Springfield, 4:30 p.m. Fair Haven at Leland & Gray, 4:30 p.m. Green Mountain at Woodstock, 4:30 p.m. White River Valley at Bellows Falls, 4:30 p.m.

<u>Softball</u> –

Bellows Falls at Woodstock, 4:30 p.m. Brattleboro at Springfield, 7 p.m. Leland & Gray at Green Mountain, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Tennis -

Bellows Falls at Rutland, 4 p.m.

SPORTS

If you'd like to submit your own sports news or photos to our paper, please do! Photos and press releases should be sent to Amanda at editor@ VermontJournal.com by Friday 12 p.m. in order to get them into that upcoming Wednesday publication.

TOWN OF LUDLOW, VERMONT FULL-TIME POSITION AVAILABLE **POLICE OFFICER**

The Town of Ludlow invites applications for the position of Police Officer. The successful candidate must be 18 years of age or older, be certified or certifiable as a Police Officer by the VT Criminal Justice Council (VCJTC), possess a valid VT driver's license and be able to perform all essential functions of the job. This is a full-time, yearround union position. Competitive wage and comprehensive benefit package including health, dental, disability, VMERS D retirement, paid holidays and vacation. A signon bonus is offered for fully certified officer. Send resume in confidence with references to Jeffrey Billings, Chief of Police by email to jeffrey.billings@vermont.gov or to Town of Ludlow, PO Box 359, Ludlow, VT, 05149. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The Town of Ludlow is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

TOWN OF LUDLOW, VERMONT PART-TIME POSITION AVAILABLE DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER

The Deputy Health Officer will assist the Ludlow Health Officer to mitigate public health concerns in the Town and Village of Ludlow. Responsibilities include investigation and inspection to detect violations of any State or local health statute, rule, ordinance, permit, public health hazard or public health risks and to take the steps necessary to enforce, prevent, remove or destroy possible public health hazards. This is a paid position for the hours worked.

Valid driver's license is necessary. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and resume to Scott Murphy at tmanager@tds.net or mail to the Town of Ludlow, PO Box 359, Ludlow, VT 05149. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled. The Town of Ludlow is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



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<u>Ultimate Frisbee –</u>

Bellows Falls at Mill River, 4:30 p.m. Leland & Gray at Burr & Burton, 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 8 -

<u>Baseball –</u>

Bellows Falls at Springfield, 11 a.m. Green Mountain at White River Valley, 11 a.m.

Softball -

West Rutland at Bellows Falls, 12 p.m. White River Valley at Green Mountain, 11 a.m. Woodstock at Spring-

<u>Girls Tennis –</u>

field, 7 p.m.

Mount Anthony at Bellows Falls, 12 p.m.



The Ludlow Mount Holly Unified Union School District is seeking bids for lawn mowing at the Mount Holly Elementary School. Those interesting in submitting a bid need to be fully insured and should contract Cheryl Hammond, Business Manager at cheryl.hammond@trsu.org or Craig Hutt Vater, Principal at craig.huttvater@trsu.org or 259-2392.

SPRINGFIELD, VERMONT WATER MAIN FLUSHING NOTICE

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Although such flushing may produce temporary discoloration, the safety of the water is not affected in any way. HOWEVER, we advise you to schedule clothes washing and cleaning projects at other time.

All mains will be flushed between 7:00 AM and 6:00 PM, Monday thru Friday. During the time this work is performed, IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE ENTIRE SYSTEM WILL BE AFFECTED. It is suggested that restaurants, laundromats, etc. keep their use to a minimum until water clears. The water system will be riled and cloudy, but this condition will clear up upon completion of the work.

Springfield Water Department

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

The Springfield, Vermont Development Review Board will hold a public hearing on May 11, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. to receive public input and take testimony on the following application(s):

Application 202106 Douglas & Lori Gurney for a Minor Subdivision Review (Section 405) to subdivide Parcel 009-2-28 (81.70+/- acres) into 2 lots of 78.13+/- acres and 3.57+/- acres. The property is located at 500 Chester Road and is zoned RA-2 and RA-5 / Observatory Protection Overlay District.

Application 202107 Town of Springfield/Springfield on the Move for a Conditional Use/ Site Plan Approval to hold "concerts at the Comtu" during the month of August on an annual basis. The property is located at 5 Main Street and is zoned Central Business / Downtown Design Control Overlay District.

Application 202120 for a Minor Subdivision Review (Section 405) to subdivide Parcel 009-3-10.001 14.73 +/- ac.) into three lots of 4.31 +/- ac; 5.16 +/- ac; 5.26 +/- ac. The property is located on Breezy Hill Road and is zoned RA-5 and RA-2 / Observatory Protection Overlay District.

Application 202121 Town of Springfield for a Downtown Design Review (Section to place a 12' mural on Northwest Elevation of the Springfield Town Library. The property is located at 43 Main Street and is zoned Central Business / Downtown Design Control Overlay District

The meeting will be held on the Zoom Platform: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom. us/j/85041980601

Meeting ID: 850 4198 0601

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NOTICE

The Town of Plymouth has a vacancy for the Collector of Delinquent Taxes. If you are interested in applying for this appointed position, please send your resume to the Town Clerk, 68 Town Office Road, Plymouth, VT 05056, or email it to clerk@plymouthvt.org. You can get more information from the Town Clerk - 672-3655. Resumes must be received by Thursday, April 29, 2021.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Selectboard of the Town of Westminster, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 1061, hereby gives notice of its intent to sell or convey certain real property owned by the Town, being land and premises conveyed to the Town of Westminster by Tax Collector's Deed dated May 22, 2018, recorded in Book 199 at Page 237 of the Westminster Land Records, for the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$24,500).

This Notice will be posted in three public places within Westminster, and published in a newspaper of general circulation, at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of conveyance. If a petition signed by five percent (5%) of the legal voters of the Town objecting to the conveyance is presented to the Clerk within thirty (30) days of the date of posting and publication of this notice, then the Selectboard will present the question of whether the Town shall convey this real estate as proposed to a special or annual town meeting.

Dated at Westminster, Vermont, this 23 day of April, 2021.

Westminster Selectboard

Kevin Hughes, Chair Craig Allen

Susan Harlow **Toby Young**

Jason Perry

SUPERIOR COURT

STATE OF VERMONT

PROBATE DIVISION Unit Docket No.: Windsor In re ESTATE of: JOHN DAVID SCOTT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To the Creditors of: JOHN DAVID SCOTT late of SPRINGFIELD

I have been appointed to administer this estate. All creditors having claims against the decedent or the

estate must present their claims in writing within four (4) months of the first publication of this notice. The claim must be presented to me at the address listed below with a copy sent to the Court. The claim may be barred forever if it is not presented within the four (4) month period.

April 1	6,202	21	Judith Scott, Executor		
Executor/Administrate Judith Scott, Execu			Mailing Address c/o Parker & Ankuda, P.C., P.O. Box 519		
Phone Number 802-885-2582	Email		City, State, Zip Springfield VT 05156		
Name of Po	ublication:	The Shopper			
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Name of Probate Court: Address of Probate Court: Vermont Superior Court Windsor Unit, Probate Division

12 The Green, Woodstock VT 05091

IN THE VERMONT SUPERIOR COURT ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION

In Re: Town of Chester, Vermont Act 250 Case No.: 2S0214-9 (REMANDED) Town of Chester P.O. Box 370 Chester, VT 05143

Docket No.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

NOW COMES the Town of Chester, a Vermont municipal corporation and Permittee and Appellant in the captioned Act 250 Permit Proceeding (the "Town"), by and through its attorney, James P.W. Goss, Esq., Facey Goss & McPhee P.C., Rutland, Vermont, and pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 8504(a) and V.R.E.C.P. 5 hereby appeals to the Vermont Superior Court, Environmental Division, from the decision of the District 2 Environmental Commission and related Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order, dated April 5, 2021 (the "Decision) which granted an Act 250 Permit Amendment to the Town for operation of a 5 acre municipal sand and gravel pit on 139.57 acres of land owned by the Town adjacent to Route 103 in Chester, Vermont (the "Project"). A copy of the Decision is attached hereto as Exhibit A. In the Decision, the Commission purported to implement Judge Durkin's Remand Order in Case No. 20-ENV-0008 by issuing a decision on the merits of the Town's Act 250 application. However, the Commission on remand materially altered the language of certain permit conditions directed to be imposed by the Judge, to the Town's detriment. The Commission also added other findings and a permit expiration date not supported by the evidence.

Appellant, Town of Chester, is the property owner and Applicant in this case. The Town is therefore a party by right pursuant to 10 V.S.A. §8502(5)(A)(B) and (C), as well as being a "Persons Aggrieved" pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 8502(7), with a right to appeal pursuant to 10 V.S.A. §§ 8503(b)(1) and 8504(a).

V.R.E.C.P. 5(b)(3)(A) Notice to Interested Persons: You must enter an appearance in writing with the Court within 21 days of receiving the above notice of appeal or in such other time as may be provided in Vermont Rule of Environmental Procedure 5(c) if you wish to participate in this appeal.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 2021.

FACEY, GOSS & McPHEE P.C. Attorneys for Town of Chester

> James W. Goss, Esq.) 71 Allen Street, P.O. Box 578 Rutland, VT 05702-0578 802-665-2730 jgoss@fgmvt.com

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Apple Blossom Cotillion









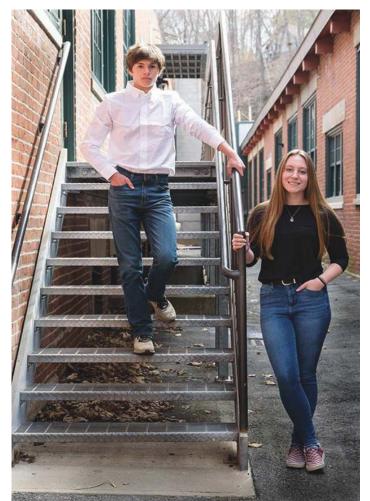
Reilly Tennis, escorted by Dominic Bates.

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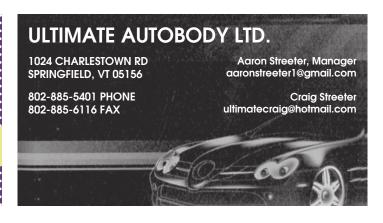
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Apple Blossom Cotillion





Hannah Hallock, escorted by Tanner Gintof.

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Victoria Otis, escorted by Marshall Simpson.

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Kaelie Peoples, escorted by Sam Presch.

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Chloe Jerman-Brown, escorted by Harry Valentin.

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Skyler Congdon, escorted by Nicolas Houghton.

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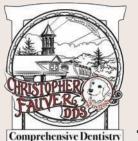
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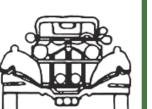
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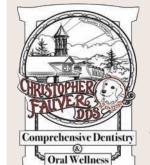
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events

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Free online composting summit May 3-7

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Next month, the Composting Association of Vermont and the Agency of Natural Resources will be hosting the Vermont Organics Recycling Summit. This event will bring together leaders and learners from across the state to discuss creative ways to keep organics out of the trash and transform organics into valuable products. The free online summit is a great opportunity for anyone interested in how Vermont communities and organizations manage their food scraps

MONTPELIER, Vt. - successfully and over- ing virtual tours come challenges. It is also a great way to learn more about compost, anaerobic digestion, and building healthy soil. The event runs from May 3-7 during International Compost Awareness Week.

"The summit aims to help Vermonters and regional partners meet the state's organics diversion, food rescue, and food scrap recycling goals," said Natasha Duarte, the director of the Composting Association of Vermont. "We have more than 15 events scheduled, includ-

agement around the state, that celebrate the value of compost and the many ways it supports the health of the environment, the people, and economy. the We're especially excited to hear Dr. David Montgomery's keynote presentation 'Bringing Our Soil Back to



Community composting training at the Ludlow Area Community

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in and a clearing for the house. Also includes permits for septic, conduit from road to clearing for utilities. Situated on the VAST trail for snowmobile access. Views into New Hampshire with clearing. A nice neighborhood and priced

This 10+ acre piece of land is located on an accessible country road in Weathersfield, Vermont. Includes a driveway

 $\textbf{A great parcel of land consisting of 17.8+/- acres} \ \text{facing west offers views with clearing.} \ Located on a quiet country$ road in an area of fine homes (they call the road Skyline Drive for a reason). Current access off a shared driveway (ROW) or develop your own. Utilities on the road. Great access to the Upper Valley or any points off I91. \$159,900

Beautiful 3 acre parcel in Weathersfield with easy access to the Golf course, hiking, trails and much more. This surveyed parcel hasstate Water & Wastewater permits filed with the town of Weathersfield. Electrical service availability is at the road. Lovely location awaits your house plans. \$80,000



Bright and Pleasant. This two bedroom home offers a large open concept living area with post & beam and pellet stove. The kitchen has been remodeled to include extra cabinets and workspace, bathroom with bathfitter tub, sliders to the deck. Daylight sement offers laundry area. Detached garage for added storage. Located near the end of an established neighborhood. \$129,900



Delightful two story home. This well maintained 3-4 bedroom home offers lots of details, including an eat-in kitchen, pantry/ laundry room, formal dining room with built in hutch, formal and informal living rooms, library, two updated bathrooms, walk-in closet, three porches offering outdoor living space, greenhouse,newer shed, 2 car garage and a level fenced yard. A few notable features include beautiful natural woodwork, two heating sources, walk-out basement for workshop. All with in walking distance to amenities. \$149,900

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"When communities keep organics out of the trash, they support green businesses and jobs, reduce dependence on landfilling waste, cut greenhouse gas emissions, and produce compost, which has restorative soil properties," said Josh Kelly, the Materials Management Section Manager in the Agency of Natural Resources. "Efforts to keep food out of the garbage can also put more food on the tables of Vermonters. For example, many grocery stores now partner with the Vermont Foodbank to send excess quality food to people, instead of throwing it away."

Learn more about VORS or register online at www.compostingvermont.org/vors-2021 or contact Natasha Duarte at info@compostingvermont.org or 802-373-6499.

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Bean doodling mindfulness workshop —

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. -On Thursday, May 27 at 6 p.m., join the Springfield Town Library and cartoonist Cara Bean in this hands-on, visual thinking, mindfulness workshop.

Cara walks participants through a series of creative exercises intended to lessen anxiety, build confidence, and grow creativity. Together, you'll go over the basics of communicative drawing – stick figures allowed! – and develop the skills needed to doodle as a form of play and problem-solving. No prior art experience is required.

Cartoonist and art educator Cara Bean is the author of "Draw 500 Funny Faces and Features" and "Let's Talk About It." Cara is passionate about draw-

ing and believes that the simple act of doodling on paper can lead to the investigation of complex ideas. An art teacher for 13 years at Lexington High School, Cara holds an MFA in drawing and painting from the University of Washington in Seattle and received a certificate in cartooning from the Sequential Artists Workshop in Gainesville, Fla. She is currently working on a long-form graphic work about mental health.

Tap into your artistic self. Thank you to the town of Springfield for sponsoring this event.

Sign up is required at www.eventbrite.com/e/ bean-doodling-mindfulness-workshop-tickets-145335679931.

This event is free and open to the public. Contact Tracey at stlvtprograms@ gmail.com or 802-885-3108 with any questions.

Pollyanna Porter releases romance, suspense novel -

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. -"Rectified," a new work of fiction by local author Pollyanna Porter, explores themes of sexual abuse, betrayal, and what it means to truly do the right thing, regardless of the consequences. It follows two timelines - past and present - revealing the tragic



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circumstances that forever change the lives of Sara Scott, her family, and the small community of fictional Langdon, Vt.

Kitty Boyes, author of "The Arina Perry Series," says the book is "written from the heart. This story may arouse your anger, and shock you in parts, but it will keep you reading as you experience hope, crave redemption, and trust that there's a good outcome."

Vicki Thornton, owner of Blair Books & More in Chester, says, "This is a solid debut novel by a local Vermont author. It is thought-provoking as well as heartfelt and heart-

Pollyanna Porter and her husband live in southern Vermont. Recently, she retired from teaching in a rural public school for almost three decades. Pollyanna set out to write a book that has long been on her bucket list. "Rectified" is that book.

The author will read excerpts from "Rectified" Tuesday, May 25, from 6:30-7:30 p.m., during a free, online event hosted by the Springfield Town Library. Registration and details can be found on the library's calendar at www. springfieldtownlibrary.org.

"Rectified" is available at local booksellers, including Blair Books & More, direct from the author at www.read-rectified.com, or from online retailers. For more information about the book and author events, visit www.read-rectified.com.



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arts & entertainment

Walpole Players to hold readings on the common

Walpole Players have announced that last year's popular Readings on the Common are returning. Beginning Sunday, May 2 at 4 p.m., the Walpole Players will be holding our weekly meetings for Readings on the Common. These readings are not performances, rather simply reading through an assortment of scripts to choose one or more for another outdoor staged reading later in the summer.

the need to only gather outdoors last summer and early fall led to a staged, costumed, and properly



Readings to be held on the common.

The readings were inspired by distanced reading of Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest" on the common before an audience. This year's readings

will hopefully lead to one or more similar performances.

Anyone and everyone are invited to join us as participants, as these readings are not meant to have an audience. This is a great way to discover your inner thespian! We will meet near the bandstand on the Walpole Town Common. Please bring a lawn chair, water bottle, and a mask just in

Please email WalpolePlayers@gmail.com or call 603-756-2535 if you need more information.

case one is needed.

Summer Bandwagon Music Series brings an explosion of music

PUTNEY, Vt. - Next Stage Arts announces an outdoor, sociallydistanced cultural performance series running from early May through the middle of October throughout Windham County. The series will include more than 20 performances ranging from a diverse group of musical styles, circus arts, dance, and theater that will take place in ballfields, farms, and parks throughout the area.

"The idea is to engage and inspire creative spirits of all ages as Windham County becomes the stage to celebrate the arts in a safe and socially responsible way," says Keith Marks, executive director of Next Stage Arts. "We're building on the area's creative and rich history, dynamic performance and arts community, while offering an exciting mix of diverse talent from near and far. Folks are eager to get out and shake off the winter and Covid. We're excited to present this outdoor, socially distanced cultural performance series. This is something we all

need right now!" The Bandwagon Summer Series kicks off May 1, from 5-8 p.m., with a "Shake it Off, Shake it all Off" dance party hosted by Manhattan's DJ Nickodemus, founding father of the legendary "Turntables on the Hudson" parties and the workhouse behind the "Wonderwheel" record

The following week, Saturday, May 8, from 6-8 p.m., at the Putney Central School, 182 Westminster Rd., the series turns to traditional Japanese drumming



The 2021 Bandwagon Summer Series will take place from May through October across Wind-

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with Burlington's Taiko who've been mesmerizing audiences with the powerful, spellbinding, and propulsive sounds of the Taiko. They've performed for millions including feature performances at the 100th running of the Boston Marathon.

The series moves on with passionate, Argentinian vocalist Sofia Rey, coming off a headlining spot at GlobalFest NYC, performing behind The Putney Inn Saturday, May 22 at 6 p.m. With a voice that's been hailed for its captivating beauty and versatility by such prestigious publications as the New York Times and DownBeat Magazine Rei's talents fit comfort ably into any number of genres.

Pumping it up a bit, the series hosts Christine Ohlman & Rebel Montez with a Blues & Barbecue night with the "Beehive Queen" Saturday, May 29 at the Newfane Village Green at 6 p.m. Ohlman - the queen of blue-eyed rock n' soul – grew up loving equally the sweetness of a Memphis horn line and the raunch of an electric guitar riff, whether played by Muddy Waters, Keith Richards, or Pop Staples, teased her blonde hair into a beehive in honor of Ronnie Spector and never looked back, picking up a guitar and forging a career as a songwriter in the process.

The series continues throughout the summer and fall. Co-presenter organizations include Twilight Music, The Stone Church, director David Stern, Landmark Trust USA, Brattleboro School of

Dance, Brattleboro Development Community Corporation's Young Professionals, Brattleboro Area Jewish Community, and Sandglass Theater.

Barr Hill and Oak Meadow are presenting sponsors. Sponsors of individual performances include Mascoma Bank, Brattleboro Savings & Loan, and The Richards Group. Media sponsors include Vermont Public Radio, Vermont PBS, VTDigger, The Commons, The Peak, BCTV, Great Eastern Radio.

For more information and updates, please go to www. nextstagearts.org.

Fletcher Farm School announcements and events

LUDLOW, Vt. - Fletcher Farm School for the Arts and Crafts is pleased to announce the 2021 Young Artist Scholarship Program. Letters describing the program and copies of student application forms have been mailed to the principals of Ludlow Elementary, Cavendish Elementary, Chester-Andover Elementary, Green Mountain Union High School, Mill River Union High School, Mount Holly Elementary School, and Shrewsbury Mountain School.

We have allocated scholarships for each of these schools. The amount of each scholarship awarded will depend on the class chosen by the student. The application form has been expanded to reduce questions and confusion. Young Artist classes have been posted to the website under Classes by Category/Young Artist Program.

Applications to the school must be postmarked by May 15, and scholarship decisions will be made by June 1.

Art teachers please note that they may receive CEU credits for any class they take at our school and may receive reimbursement for their class.

Special quilt raffle

We have the honor of offering a Baltimore Album queen-size bed quilt for a special raffle.

The quilt was designed, made, hand-appliqued, and donated to the school by master applique artist Viola Greening. Machine quilting was done by award-winning machine quilter Mara Novak. The quilt has been appraised for \$6,580.

Tickets for this special raffle can be purchased at www. fletcherfarm.org or from our office, which is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The raffle drawing will be held on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14,

Fabric and Craft Supply Sale

The next Fabric and Craft Supply sale will be held Saturday, May 22, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., in our Gift and Craft Shop. We will have a variety of fabric, yarn, art supplies, books, frames, raw wood products, and more available.

Summer schedule Because of early uncertainty about the Covid-19 pandemic,

we did not publish a brochure detailing our summer schedule of classes this year. All of our classes will be available on the website for review and registration May 1, 2021.

We will not be offering oncampus student lodging this summer. However, the Golden Stage Inn is offering a discount to Fletcher Farm students and instructors for a minimum two-night stay. Other local inns may be offering discounts as well, and if they do, we'll post that information on our website.

You can register for classes in the office, online, or by calling us at 802-228-8770. Gift and Craft Shop opening

We will be opening our Gift and Craft Shop June 14. The shop will be open Tuesday through Sunday, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Crafters and artists who are also members of the society may enter their work into the shop for sale. For more information on the shop, see the



Quilt for the special quilt raffle.

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Gift Shop section of our website. Volunteers are welcome, as well.

Arts and crafts festivals

Our festivals will return this summer July 3 and Aug. 21. If you would like to participate, contact Festival Director Sue Carey at SueSmyserCarey@hotmail.com. We have room for more vendors and would welcome volunteers.

Board members and volun-

The society is still in need of board members and volunteers. If you are interested in becoming involved with the school in either capacity, contact our office at 802-228-8770 to find out more.

Vermont Open Studio

The Vermont Art Council moved this year's Open Studio Weekend to June 19 and 20. The Fletcher Farm School for the Arts and Crafts will participate again this year, and we welcome the public to see what the school is all about.



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Pay off your debts

It may make more sense to pay off high-interest-rate debt – for example, credit card

REGION - The first step in debt - before making investments that may have a lower or more uncertain return.

Get insured

There is no better way to put your extra cash to work for you than by having adequate insurance. It's your best protection against financial loss, so review your home, auto, health, disability, life, and other policies, and increase your coverage, if needed.

Max out any tax-deferred retirement plans

Putting money in these accounts defers income taxes, which means you'll have more money to save. Take full advantage if they are available to

The impact of 3% yearly inflation on the purchasing power of \$200,000

Why should you invest? To try to fight inflation

When people say, "I'm not an investor," it's often because they worry about the potential for market losses. It's true that investing involves risk as well as reward, and investing is no guarantee that you'll beat inflation or even come out ahead. However, there's also another type of loss to be aware of – the loss of purchasing power over time. During periods of inflation, each dollar you've saved

will buy less and less as time goes on.

To take advantage of com-Anyone who has a savings

account understands the basics of compounding. The funds in your savings account earn interest, and that interest is added to your account balance. The next time interest is calculated it's based on the increased value of your account. In effect, you earn interest on your interest. Many people, however, don't fully appreciate the impact that compounded earnings can have, especially over a long period of time.

Compounding interest

Let's say you invest \$5,000 a year for 30 years. After 30 vears you will have invested a total of \$150,000. Yet, assuming your funds grow at exactly 6% each year, after 30 years you will have over \$395,000,

because of compounding. Note: This is a hypothetical example and is not intended to reflect the actual performance of any specific investment. Taxes and investment fees and expenses are not reflected. If they were, the results would be lower. Actual results will vary. Rates of return will vary over time, particularly for longterm investments.

Compounding has a "snow-

ball" effect. The more money that is added to the account, the greater its benefit. Also, the more frequently interest is compounded -for example, monthly instead of annually the more quickly your savings build. The sooner you start saving or investing, the more time and potential your investments have for growth. In effect, compounding helps you provide for your financial future by doing some of the work for you.

Article written by Huntley Financial Services. For more information, contact Mark Huntley at 888-922-1035.

Fraud Watch Network: A self-defense against scams

REGION - It's springtime. Wedding plans finalized? College-bound high school seniors applying for loans? Spring cleaning and home improvement are priorities? Considering long postponed vacations? While appearing to be unrelated, criminals see these ordinary rites of spring as opportunities to profit from human behavior.

One approach to discussing spring scams is to examine each scam in detail. Such a comprehensive approach is not very practical. Instead, much can be learned by focusing on some general motivations that can expose us to victimization: comradery, emotion, empathy, obedience, opportunity, scarcity. When manipulated by a professional criminal, practically everyone is capable of falling victim.

Defense against many of the scams being perpetrated is skepticism. As victims, we are willing to believe and accept even outrageous propositions because they seem very attrac-

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tive: a free smart phone or computer or a valuable gift card. Instead of applying logic or even a mild degree of skepticism, we fall for the ruse because it appeals to a feeling that we are receiving something desirable or valuable. Similarly, when presented with a chance to cope with scarcity, such as an effective vaccine or quality personal protective equipment, we fail to question reality, choosing to accept even something that is unlikely rather than apply any degree of caution. The lure of beating scarcity simply can be

too strong. Another "trap" can be the desire to empathize and help those in need. Here we are tempted to respond to the needs of others but once again fail to apply logic or reason, even to the point of verifying the need. Similarly, we have a tendency toward obedience and submission to authority when faced with what we see as official - many of the most successful scams involve the impersonation of govern-

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The final factor in this discussion involves our quest for acceptance by our peers - comradery. We seek acceptance from others by participating in what we believe to be socially acceptable activities, but once again we become involved without grounding our behavior with a degree of caution.

While skepticism is critical to avoid becoming a scam victim, so is patience. Scammers often emphasize the need for the potential victim to act in haste without taking the necessary time to be fully informed. This means that the criminal often stresses expediency and immediate commitment. Examples include an emphasis on rapid decision-making providing no time to reconsider.

Having reviewed the root motivations involved with scams, regardless of message delivered, we can look at the specific steps to keep from becoming a victim. While not providing a perfect defense, you can go a long way in terms of self-defense by applying the following strategies:

- Never make a decision while in a heightened emotional state. Inevitably, it will be the wrong
- Ask questions! This will put you in control of the situation. The reverse is true if you allow

the scammer to be in control. • Don't make a decision -

- whether it involves a purchase or donation - without conducting a thorough study, including one involving the party posing the opportunity to you.
- Develop a refusal script as a way to disengage from the conversation. It can be as simple as saying, "No."
- Tell the person making the offer that you want to review the terms of an offer and to mail you the details – I'll make a bet with you: you will never see the details.
- Watch for "red flags" such as personal questions and requests for personal and finan-

• Delay making immediate decisions. Some criminals will try to convince you to make commitments with a comment that you can always cancel. In this type of situation, walk (run)

Armed with these details and applying them to suspicious situations, you should be well prepared to act in your own defense.

Elliott Greenblott is a retired educator and coordinator of the AARP Vermont Fraud Watch Network. He hosts a CATV program, Mr. Scammer, distributed by GNAT-TV in Sunderland, Vt. Contact egreenblott@aarp.org.

Grief support group

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. - Brattleboro Area Hospice is pleased to offer a new grief support group via Zoom for anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one, either recently or in the

The group will meet weekly Wednesdays starting May 5, from 4-5 p.m. This group will be limited to eight people and will be a "mixed loss" group. The facilitator will be Muriel Wolf,

brattleborohospice.org, 802-257-0775 ext. 104. An initial intake via Zoom will be required before enrollment in the group. We can help you with Zoom if needed.

The group is sponsored by Brattleboro Area Hospice. Participation is free of charge and open to anyone in the community. Support Groups offer a safe, mutually supportive environment for sharing experiences through discussion, readings, and suggestions for moving through grief. No prior connection with hospice is necessary in order to participate.

Brattleboro Area Hospice is an independent, communitybased, nonprofit volunteer organization that provides grassroots, volunteer-staffed programs. Hospice is locally funded and provides services free of charge. Hospice is located at 191 Canal St. in Brattleboro. Call 802-257-0775 or visit www.brattleborohospice.

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If you or anyone you know would benefit from a grief support group, please contact Lars Hunter, Bereavement Program Coordinator, at lars.hunter@

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River Valley **Employment Fair** month-long virtual event

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Calling all jobseekers! The River Valley Workforce Investment Board is pleased to announce the 2021 Virtual River Valley Employment Fair. With the safety of our employers, jobseekers, and volunteers in mind, we are happy to offer the event in online format this year. Many local employers are actively recruiting for open positions and need well-qualified employees. We will be hosting this virtual event on our website for the entire month of May 2021, which can be found at www.rivervalleyemploymentfair.org.

This virtual event is open to the public and free for jobseekers. The virtual event will include the following from a variety of local employers:

- URL links to current openings or careers page • Links to recruitment vid-
- Links to virtual hiring
- Contact information available for resume and cover letter submission
- Information on changes to hiring practices during the Covid-19 pandemic
- Any additional updates

Windsor County and surrounding area residents of all ages and various employment levels will be able to search for full- or part-time jobs and look ahead to explore careers pathways and the training needed to pursue them. As usual, this year's Employment Fair has a dual-focus, offering opportunities for jobseekers who are unemployed as well as those who are underemployed and would like to explore training, professional development opportunities, or simply find a better job.

The WIB is currently regtering businesses, ing sponsorships, and inviting county high schools, colleges, and the general public. By raising awareness of the job opportunities available to graduating high school and college students, companies will have access to well-qualified candidates ready to enter the work-

Employer registration, jobseeker resources, and detailed information can be found by calling Derek Williams at 802-885-8302 or by visiting www. rivervalleyemploymentfair.org.

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The 2021 Virtual River Valley Employment Fair is currently sponsored by Rewind 106.5 WCFR, Jeld-Wen, HCRS, and the Edgar May Health & Recreation Center, and brought to you by the River Valley Workforce Investment Board in partnership with River Valley Technical Center, Creative Workforce Solutions, Vermont Department of Labor, Springfield Regional Chamber of Commerce, and Springfield Regional Development Corporation.

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